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Belcourt Man Sentenced for Sexual Abuse of a Minor

BISMARCK - United States Attorney Drew H. Wrigley announced that

Charles M. Carrington of Belcourt, North Dakota, was sentenced on May 22, 2006, before United States District Court Senior Judge Patrick A. Conmy on a charge of sexual abuse of a minor.

Carrington, 38, pleaded guilty on February 8, 2006, to engaging more than once in sexual contact with a minor female who was under 16. The abuse took place on the Turtle Mountain Indian Reservation, beginning in the fall of 2003.

Judge Conmy sentenced **Carrington** to serve five years and five months in Federal prison to be followed by three years of supervised release. **Carrington** was ordered to register as a sex offender and will be subject to community notification laws upon release. **Carrington** was ordered to pay a \$100 special assessment to the Crime Victim's Fund.

The case was investigated by the Federal Bureau of Investigation and Bureau of Indian Affairs.

Assistant United States Attorney David Hagler prosecuted the case.

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